processing in the country. Similar Schemes are proposed to be implemented during the Ninth Plan also.

Afforestation around Lakes

5830. DR. KRUPASINDHU BHOI : Will the Minister of ENVIRONMENT AND FORESTS be pleased to state:

(a) whether the Government have any proposal to undertake afforestation drive around some major lakes in the country;

(b) if so, the names of these lakes and the states where these lakes are located; and

(c) the details of the fund allocation made to the respective states for the purpose?

THE MINISTER OF ENVIRONMENT AND FORESTS (PROF. SAIFUDDIN SOZ) : (a) and (b) Under the National Lake Conservation Plan (NLCP), 11 out of 21 identified urban lakes were propsed for conservation under phase I. Catchment conservation including afforestation around the lake formed a part of the pre-feasibility reports for these lakes, namely:

1.	Sukhna Lake	Chandigarh
2.	Dal Lake	Jammu & Kashmir
3.	Kodaikanal Lake	Tamil Nadu
4.	Ooty Lake	Tamil Nadu
5.	Bhoj Lake	Madhya Pradesh
6.	Sagar Lake	Madhya Pradesh
7.	Hussain Sagar Lake	Andhra Pradesh
8.	Powai Lake	Maharashtra
9.	Udaipur Lake System	Rajasthan
10.	Nainital Lake	Uttar Pradesh
11.	Rabindra Sarobar Lake	West Bengal

Besides this the following 18 waterbodies in the country have been identified by the Ministry for intensive conservation under the scheme on conservation and management of Wetlands. Afforestation is one of the integral component of this scheme.

Sl.No.	Name of the Wetland	State
1	2	3
1.	Kolleru	Andhra Pradesh
2.	Wular	Jammu & Kashmir
3.	Tso Morari	Jammu & Kashmir
4.	Chilka	Orissa
5.	Loktak	Manipur
6.	Sambhar	Rajasthan
7.	Sasthamkorta	Kerala
8.	Asthmudi	Kerala
9.	Nalsarovar	Gujarat
10.	Harike	Punjab
11.	Kanjli	Punjab
12.	Ropar	Punjab
13.	Ujni	Maharshtra
14.	Renuka	Himachal Pradesh
15.	Ponodam	Himachal Pradesh
16.	Chandratal	Himachal Pradesh
17.	Kabar	Bihar
18.	Deepar Beel	Assam

(c) The National Lake Conservation Plan has been proposed for inclusion in the IXth Plan.

Worlds Bank's Assessment

5831. SHRIMATI SARADA TADIPARTHI : Will the Minister of PLANNING AND PROGRAMME IMPLEMENTATION be pleased to state:

(a) whether the World Bank has assessed the functioning of Planning Commission in regard to monitoring of funds;

(b) if so, the details thereof; and

(c) the corrective steps proposed to be taken in this regard?

THE MINISTER OF STATE OF THE MINISTRY OF PLANNING AND PROGRAMME IMPLEMENTATION AND MINISTER OF STATE OF THE MINISTRY OF SCIENCE AND TECHNOLOGY (SHRI YOGINDER K. ALAGH) : (a) and (b) The following observations were made in the World Bank country Study titled India - 5 Years of Stabilisation and Reform and the Challanges Ahead (1996):

"Weaknesses in the planning process should also be addressed. Reform of the Planning Commission's budgetary guidelines and procedures would encourage states to undertake structural budgetary reforms to enhance their